

Torrance Plant to Begin Pogo-Hi Target Project
 A contract to manufacture 195 additional Pogo-Hi Target Missiles for the U.S. Army has been awarded to Aeronca Manufacturing Corporation. According to W. W. Rutledge, vice president, Defense Products Group, the award will total nearly \$500,000. Rutledge said the target missile has been in production since early 1959 and the new contract will assure continuity of the assembly lines. The award, made by

the Army's White Sands Missile Range of New Mexico, will be administered under the direction of Col. William A. Evans, Chief of the Cincinnati Army Ordnance District. The major portion of the Pogo-Hi will be produced at

the Middletown plant while several sub-assemblies will be manufactured at the Aeronca Division of Torrance, California. The Pogo-Hi is a high altitude target system designed to test both air and ground launched missile systems, including the Nike, Talos, Sidewinder and Falco, Rutledge said. When the Pogo-Hi is launched from the ground it is propelled to about 80,000 feet where the engine and after-body are separated from the nose section. The later

section contains a radar reflective parachute and infra-red emitter package. The target missile is launched from variable elevation angle rail type launching tower. Use classified. Call DA 5-1515

Local Firemen Petition Council

In denying the Torrance Fire Department additional man-power, which was petitioned for with the signatures of 79 employees of the department, the City Council filed the plea Tuesday night. In asking for additional employees, the petitioners claimed, "Chief J. J. Brenner is the man upon whose shoulders rests the responsibility for the prevention of loss of life and property by fire. Each year he has requested additional man-power to meet his responsibility." The group continued, "This year his very conservative request for 16 men was pared to only four."

Petitioners stated that the National Board of Fire Underwriters has set certain standards of minimum man-power. It recommends one and one half fire fighters per 1,000 population. If this standard were followed here, Torrance would have a 150 man force. Currently, there are 79 firemen employed by the city. In comment, Chief Brenner said, "We are extremely understaffed, very much in need of men to protect our homes in case of an emergency." The group also mentioned that the National board stipulated that when there are over two companies existing an assistant fire chief should be appointed. It added that no other city our size operates without an assistant chief.

Trial Date Set for Osteopaths Versus Hospital

Bringing their protests to a court hearing in front of the Inglewood Superior Court Monday, members of a citizen's committee, opposing the present exclusion of osteopaths from the South Bay Hospital staff, were given Sept. 20 as trial date for the issue.

Woman Protests Hardball Games at La Romeria

Prior to the hearing, the committee, headed by Mrs. Michael Radnovich, gathered names on petitions asking for admittance of osteopaths to the hospital staff. The group, consisting of 60 volunteers, circulated the petitions throughout Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, and Manhattan Beach. It collected 3000 signatures. The official name of the committee is the Citizens Committee for the Freedom of Choice of a Physician and Surgeon. There are no osteopaths participating with the group.

Eggs and hardballs combine in the complaint of Mrs. Alex Barclay, Torrance resident, who voiced pleas to the City Council Tuesday night to stop hardball playing in La Romeria Park. "Recently," she mentioned, "raw eggs along with the hardballs have been thrown at her home."

She stated that she asked both the police and recreation departments to put a stop to hardball playing near her home. This is "causing damage to my property," she added. Both departments stated that their hands were tied unless the sport were prohibited by an ordinance of the City Council.

Spokesman speaks Administrator for the hospital Russell Williams mentioned that admittance of the osteopaths into the hospital will tend to weaken the faith of the people in it. This could ultimately make the "operation go in the next year," he said.

When the case goes to court, defendants in the action will be the hospital, Auten F. Busch, board president; and board members Mark Wood, Herman Brandt, John Cooper and Lester Carlson. Plaintiffs in the action, all osteopaths physicians, are Drs. Paul D. Yates, Aris L. Rice, Llewelyn T. Holden, Harrison K. Lawson and Robert L. Perry.

Board Tables Mrs. Radnovich mentioned that the board, upon receiving applications of the osteopaths, has tabled them without even looking into their credentials. Of the 175 medical doctors applying for positions at the hospital, 105 were placed on the staff. However, of the 28 osteopaths applying, none of them were offered positions.

The difference between the osteopathic doctor and the medical doctor is the training required to receive the license. Mrs. Radnovich mentioned that although the osteopath must have a minimum of three years of college, whereas, the medical doctor must graduate, they both must serve an internship and pass the same State Board exam.

Also, the Council forbade all playing of hardball in La Romeria. "Although the Council has always been a staunch supporter of the Little League, persons responsible for this action should respect the rights of others," Councilman Blount concluded.

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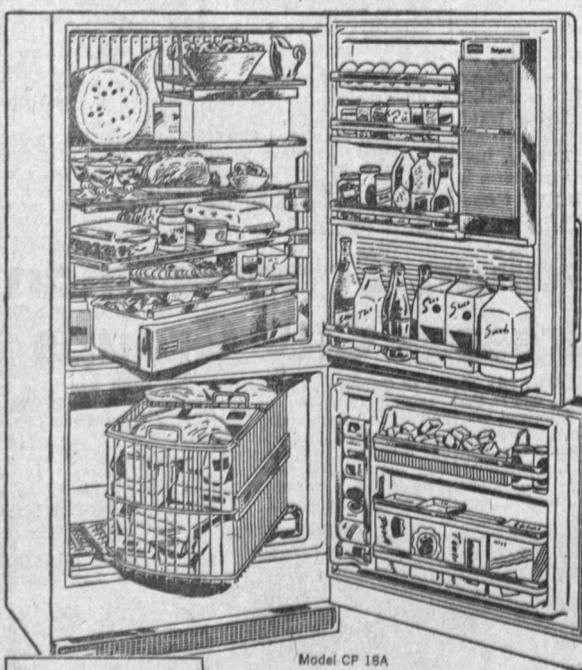


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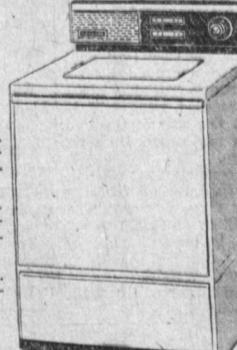
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